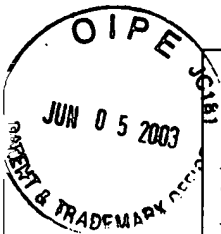


Case No: YAMAP0594USA

PATENT

16/17/03
#9/Amdt
D



CERTIFICATE OF MAILING OR FACSIMILE TRANSMISSION UNDER 37 CFR 1.8(a)

I hereby certify that this paper (along with any paper referred to as being attached or enclosed) is X being deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage for first class mail in an envelope addressed to the Commissioner for Patents address below.

being transmitted via facsimile to (703) 872-9311 at the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office to the Attention of Examiner Martin J. Angebranndt.


Mark D. Saralino

June 3, 2003
Date

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

RECEIVED
JUN 10 2003
TC 1700

In re application of: Yasumori HINO et al.

Serial No.: 09/848,046

Filing Date: May 3, 2001

For: HIGH DENSITY OPTICAL DISK, APPARATUS FOR REPRODUCING
OPTICAL DISK AND METHOD FOR PRODUCING OPTICAL DISK
MASTER

Examiner: Martin J. Angebranndt

Art Unit: 1756

**AMENDMENT WITH RCE-
EXPEDITED HANDLING
REQUESTED**

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

RESPONSE FILED WITH RCE

Sir:

Favorable reconsideration of the above-identified application is respectfully requested in view of the following amendments and comments.

A petition and fee for a one-month extension of time to respond to the final Office Action mailed February 6, 2003 is submitted herewith.